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In re application of:

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DIAGNOSING CANCER,
COMPOSITIONS, AND
METHODS OF SCREENING FOR
CANCER MODULATORS**

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated **September 26, 2003**, and is submitted on or before the extended due date of **January 26, 2004**. A constructive petition for a one-month extension of time under 1.136 (a) (3) and its requisite fee are enclosed herewith. The Examiner is requested to enter the amendments and consider the application.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, including fees under §1.17; or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing Atty. Dkt. No. 05882.0142.CPUS03.

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